

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (previously presented) A product for providing access to media files on a digital device, the product comprising:

a computer-readable storage medium; and

computer-readable program instructions embodied in the computer-readable storage medium, the computer-readable program instructions comprising:

first instructions for generating a media view that provides access to at least one digital media file and associates the at least one digital media file with a period of time; and

second instructions for generating a timeline view that is presented in combination with the media view and provides access to the at least one digital media file according to periods of time defined in the timeline and according to events represented in the timeline.

2. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the first instructions for generating the media view further associate the at least one digital media file with event information.

3. (canceled)

4. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the first instructions associate the least one digital media file with a period of time that is defined by metadata associated with the at least one digital media file.

5. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the first instructions further include instructions for generating title information for the at least one digital media file.

6. (previously presented) The product of Claim 5, wherein the instructions for generating title information include instructions for displaying, in the media view, the title information in conjunction with the at least one digital media file.

7. (previously presented) The product of Claim 5, wherein the first instructions for generating title information for the at least one digital media file include instructions for defining the title information by metadata associated with the at least one media file.

8. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the first instructions include instructions for generating group title information for a plurality of digital media files having related metadata information.

9. (previously presented) The product of Claim 8, wherein the instructions for generating group title information include instructions for displaying, in the media view, the group title information in conjunction with the plurality of digital media files.

10. (previously presented) The product of Claim 8, wherein the instructions for generating group title information for the plurality of digital media files include instructions for defining the group title information by comparable metadata associated with the plurality of digital media files.

11. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the second instructions for generating the timeline view include instructions for generating a scrollable timeline that provides for locating periods of time by scrolling the timeline.

12. (previously presented) The product of Claim 11, wherein the second instructions for generating the timeline view include instructions for generating a scrollable timeline that is scrollable in a horizontal manner.

13. (previously presented) The product of Claim 11, wherein the second instructions for generating the timeline view include instructions for generating a scrollable timeline that is scrollable in a vertical manner.

14. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the first instructions for generating the media view include instructions for generating a scrollable media view for locating media files by scrolling the media view.

15. (previously presented) The product of Claim 14, wherein the first instructions for generating the media view include instructions for generating a scrollable media view that is scrollable in a horizontal manner.

16. (previously presented) The product of Claim 14, wherein the first instructions for generating the media view include instructions for generating a scrollable media view that is scrollable in a vertical manner.

17. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the first instructions for generating the media view and the second instructions for generating a timeline view include instructions for generating a scrollable media view and a scrollable timeline view that provide for locating one or more media files by scrolling.

18. (previously presented) The product of Claim 17, wherein the first instructions for generating the media view and the second instructions for generating a timeline view include instructions for scrolling the media view in a horizontal manner and scrolling the timeline view in a horizontal manner.

19. (previously presented) The product of Claim 17, wherein the first instructions for generating the media view and the second instructions for generating a timeline view include instructions for scrolling the media view in a vertical manner and scrolling the timeline view in a vertical manner.

20. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the second instructions for generating a timeline view include instructions for generating a timeline in the form of a time bar.

21. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the second instructions for generating a timeline view include instructions for generating a time handle that provides for the timeline to be scrolled.

22. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, further comprising third instructions for searching the media view in terms of a period of time.

23. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, further comprising third instructions for searching the media view in terms of any combination of metadata information.

24. (previously presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the first instructions for generating a media view include instructions for adjusting the area of the periods of time within the media view according to the amount of digital media files in the period of time.

25. (previously presented) The product of Claim 24, wherein the first instructions for adjusting the area of the periods of time include instructions for adjusting the area of the period of time view so that all of the media files within a period of time are viewable within a display.

26. (currently amended) A method for digital media management in a digital device, the method comprising:

receiving, at the digital device, a digital media file having metadata associated with the digital media file;

transmitting the file to a media diary application that associates the digital media file with a period in time based on the metadata; ~~and~~

providing a user access to the digital media file via a media view that displays a representation of the digital media file in connection with the period of time; and

providing the user the ability to locate digital media files within the media view by scrolling a timeline that is displayed in conjunction with the media view.

27. (canceled)

28. (previously presented) The method of Claim 26, further comprising providing a user the ability to locate digital media files within the media view by movement of a time handle that is displayed in conjunction with the media view.

29. (previously presented) A method for defining media file representation in a media view of a media diary application, the method comprising:

receiving a media file having associated metadata information;

determining a manner in which the media file will be represented in a media view of the media diary; and

individually presenting the media file as a media file representation in a date column of the media view in accordance with the determination of the manner of representation.

30. (previously presented) The method of Claim 29, wherein determining the manner in which the media file will be represented in a media view of the media diary further comprises determining the size of a thumbnail representing the media file.

31. (previously presented) The method of Claim 29, wherein determining the manner in which the media file will be represented in a media view of the media diary further comprises determining a size of the date column within which the representation will reside.

32. (previously presented) The method of Claim 29, wherein determining the manner in which the media file will be represented in a media view of the media diary further comprises determining the size of the media view in proportion to the overall viewing area.

33. (previously presented) The method of Claim 29, wherein determining the manner in which the media file will be represented in a media view of the media diary further comprises determining a quantity of the media files represented in a date column.

34. (previously presented) The method of Claim 29, further comprising providing the user the ability to locate a media file within the media view by scrolling the media view.

35. (previously presented) An apparatus comprising:
a processing unit that executes computer-readable program instructions for accessing media files, the computer-readable program instructions comprising:
first instructions for generating a media view that provides access to at least one digital media file and associates the at least one digital media file with a period of time, and
second instructions for generating a timeline view that is presented in combination with the media view and provides access to the at least one digital media file according to periods of time defined in the timeline and according to events represented in the timeline.

36. (previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 35, further comprising a display in communication with the processing unit that presents, independently, the media view and the timeline view.